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Five Edgecliff Seniors Capture Junior Prom Limelight May 10



Agnes Cloud, Mary Russo, Sue Rains and Sandra Motz surround our West Va. Queen, Peggy Rowe.

Petite, five-foot-two, Peggy Rowe from Man, W. Va., will truly be the "belle" (Southern, of course) of the ball on Friday evening, May 10. Peggy, a home economics major, was chosen by the student body to reign as queen of the 1957 junior-senior prom which will be held from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Pavilion Caprice, Netherland Hilton hotel.

President of the Dormitory Council and of the CSMC unit on campus, Peggy is also an accomplished seamstress, having assisted Mrs. Bottomley in her clothing construction classes during this academic year. In almost every important campus project, Peggy is certain to be involved, particularly if it concerns music and dancing. Vivacious and full of fun with a natural friendly smile and a slight touch of a Southern drawl in her speech, that's Peggy!

Agnes and Sandra

Chosen as one of the attendants to the queen was English major Agnes Cloud. Agnes, a talented thespian who will long be remembered at Edgecliff for her portrayal of the dowager Empress in "Anastasia," is president of the Literary Guild and an active member of Edgecliff players. Swimming and tennis are her favorite hobbies and are the reasons for the much envied golden sun tan she acquires each summer. With a refreshing sense of humor and a touch of natural wit, Agnes often manages to brighten a day with tales of the unusual experiences which only she could possibly have.

Edgecliff's chief dispenser of pills and remedies, Sandra Motz, was also chosen as one of the queen's attendants. Sandra's charming manner and quick smile are influential themselves

in curing many minor ills. Vice-president of the senior class, Sandra is a delightful combination of professional proficiency and collegiate nonchalance.

Sue and Mary

Spanish major Sue Rains will also grace the queen's court on that big night. Demure, sophisticated, "sweet" Sue is Edgecliff's answer to Monaco's Princess Grace. Always the perfect lady, Sue has a quiet air about her and the enviable ability to remain cool and calm in any situation. She is Prefect of the Sodality and President of the Trilingual club and one of the most ardent admirers of Agnes' humorous tales.

Who could have been more appropriately chosen as a member of a court which will reign over a night of music and gaiety than nimble-fingered Mary Russo? For the past four years, Mary Russo and music have been synonymous terms here at Edgecliff. President of the Choral and Music clubs, Mary has spent many an evening accompanying soloists in variety shows and musical productions. Mary is a Spanish major, but for some strange reason her favorite dish is Italian spaghetti. With her dark hair and that sparkle in her dark eyes, she would be a complimentary addition to any royal assemblage.

More Details

Buddy Rogers will provide the dancing rhythms for the queen and her court and all their guests. Although Virginia Diana and Betty Gleason, who are chairmen of the crowning, aren't revealing any of the details, they report that it will be climaxed when Alvina Hartlaub, president of the junior class, places the crown on Queen Peggy's head. Charlotte

Kipp announces that the chap-erones who will be enjoying the proceedings along with the students will be Mr. and Mrs. William Dammarell, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gaede, Mr. and Mrs. William Hartlaub and Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Kipp.

Other committee chairmen who have helped with the fine details are: Peggy Abrams, door committee; Carole Coletta, gifts; Shirley Gaede and Rosebelle Sweeney, printing; Sue Knecht, patrons; and Joan Winter, elections.

Baptismal Display Goes To Parishes

A Baptismal display of cards, certificates, candles, and candle holders, designed especially for family use by the Liturgy Committee, is now being sent upon request to schools and parishes of the archdiocese. The committee responded to Archbishop Alter's appeal to encourage more emphasis upon the reception and celebration of the sacrament of Baptism.

The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will feature the display at their meeting Apr. 29, in the Hotel Gibson. During the Family Life Conference at Xavier university the display was also used.

A Baptismal font and a dove, predominate as the general theme of the display, harmonized in maroon, grey and white. There are more requests for candles, decorated with such symbols, than can be supplied.

The eighth child of Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Niehaus, Gregory, born on Mar. 12, was the first to wear the Baptismal robe and use the materials.

Choral Club Prepares For Annual Spring Concert; Program Includes Antiphons

Every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 10:55, a group of about 45 girls, representing each of the four classes, assembles in the auditorium for a period of 50 minutes. The purpose of their meeting and what these girls accomplish during this time will be revealed on Sunday evening, May 5 at the Choral club's annual Spring Concert. For you see, these Edgecliff students spend two full class periods each week doing nothing but just singing.

Singing Is Work

Ah, but don't be fooled by that last phrase—just singing! Each Choral club session begins with a five minute period of vocalizing followed by 45 minutes of concentrated work. Yes, singing is not all fun, it involves a great deal of work, both for the conductor and the members of the chorus. Those lovely songs which the audience enjoys on concert night are the final product of hours of practice learning notes, enunciating words properly, fitting parts together in perfect harmony and then putting expression into the piece by increasing and de-

creasing volume at the proper time. At times all these "mechanics" can become a chore, but once a piece is learned the joy of accomplishment makes it such fun to sing. For many members of the Edgecliff Choral club their participation in group singing is but a continuation of one of their favorite activities in high school.

The May 5 concert will be the major activity of the Choral club for this academic year. Their first big project was in connection with the Advent Program on Dec. 5, 1956 and they also gave a brief concert at the ACCY dance at Castle Farm on Jan. 4.

Under the direction of Mr. Loessi, the Spring Concert will include four antiphons to the Blessed Mother by Grossi, *The Sea and The Path of Love* by Brahms, *Rain and the River* by Fox, *Waters Ripple and Flow* by Taylor and selections from *Brigadoon* by Loewe.

Appearing as guests with the Chorus will be Paulina Howes Long, violin soloist and Frances Loftus, pianist.

Election Results Reveal 1957-58 Council, Sodality Chief Officers

by Joyce Ellensohn '59

The girl who "is never lost for words," Alice Dammarell, is the new president of student council for 1957-58. Alice, who is majoring in history, seems well qualified to hold such a position as she has been junior and senior delegate for the NFCCS, representative to student council for two years, secretary and treas-

urer of the Sodality for the year 1957-58. Vera, known to everyone, as the girl with the smile, is at present the treasurer of the Liturgy club, and is active in other school activities. Her hobbies, which seem to be similar to many Edgecliffers, are knitting and playing bridge. When asked how she felt, when it was an-



Alice Dammarell and Vera Flavin study calendar of coming school year.

urer of the Debate club, treasurer of the IRC and an Edgecliff columnist. On Sunday mornings, in her spare time (which she states is very little) she teaches Catechism to grade school children, while her summer months are spent as a counselor at Camp Fire Fly.

Vera Flavin, a dorm student from Delaware, Ohio, is the pre-

nounced she was the new prefect, she replied, "I was just stunned."

Alice and Vera will officially take over their new offices at the final student convocation. Both girls expressed their gratefulness to the student body for the great confidence and trust it has placed in them. They are now looking forward to another successful year.

Combat Spring Fever

The air carries a special sweetness now when windows are open wide in the classrooms. It seems to be a tantalizing combination of honeysuckle, daffodils, new grass and a warming breeze. The noisy birds too convey a rising excitement on the approach of something very nice and very welcome. The chattering voices below the windows give rise to a special wish that days will hurry by.

And suddenly we are transplanted to a sandy beach, a steaming tennis court or a ride in the country with the top down. We have what is commonly known as spring fever, occasioned by the season which is upon us. But what an inopportune time for the wandering mind or the minstrel spirit to capture us. With one of the most important months of school to come and exams to be taken we can hardly afford to lose contact with reality. What a surprise greets us in June if spring fever wins her spring battle. It offers us a challenge but who are better fighters than we, with twelve to sixteen years experience, conditioned to the perennial struggle.

From Ohio's Campuses

by Theresa Stavale '59

"I take it to be a principal rule of life, not to be too addicted to any one thing."—Terence.
"Nothing is pleasant that is not spiced with variety."
—Bacon.

One must admit that this column has limitations and literally begs for variety. Nevertheless, even though the territorial boundary and the number of colleges remains the same each time we go to press, the activity of the beings enrolled in these colleges and universities is varied.

Entrance examinations. Western Reserve university and Case Institute of Technology will use the College Entrance Examination Board tests as a main admission requirement. Western Reserve joined the College Entrance Examination Board in 1904 and the tests have been used as one of the criteria of admission for all or some of the students applying to the two undergraduate schools.

During this period admission has been determined by three criteria: high school record; entrance examination; and recommendation of secondary school teachers and advisors. Since 1946 applicants have been given a choice of taking a CEEB test or one administered by and at the university. In recent years an increasing number of students applying for admission have used the CEEB test which they have found more convenient to take near their place of residence rather than travel to the campus.

The decision to use the College Entrance Examination Board examinations for all students will make it possible to have comparable data for the determination of admission of all students and for the use of the university's advisors in the counseling of students after admission.

Resolutions. The General Faculty at Oberlin college recently approved a number of curriculum changes and adopted two resolutions submitted by the Committee on Educational Policy.

One resolution requested special faculty meetings to discuss problems created by the anticipated increase in College enrollment. The other encouraged individual faculty members to par-

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by Georgia Kunkemoeller '59

The entertainment review for this month takes us through two mediums, namely stage, and its contemporary counterpart, the screen.

Musical comedy has Gilbert and Sullivan once again!! No, not the old team but certainly a refreshing one in the persons of Joy Gilbert and Sharon Sullivan. They were second and first lead respectively in the U.C. Mumsers Guild production of "Kiss Me Kate." The plot concerned a play within a play plus some confusing marital involvements. Dave Canary warbled well as the male lead but Miss Sullivan, recovering from a throat affliction, wasn't up to par.

The stage sets were not only good but ingenious as well. Lighting and costuming were also well done. A number that stole the show was a song and dance entitled "Brush Up On Your Shakespeare." Sassy, saucy and scintillating, "Kiss Me Kate" was excellent for a college production.

True To Life Movie

"Fear Strikes Out" is the story of Jim Piersall, Boston Red Sox outfielder, who suffered an emotional collapse which almost ended his career before it began. Piersall's father was determined to live out his life in that of his son. His lost life was that of a professional baseball player. At an early age his father began pushing and driving him with a constant baseball practice, never letting him believe he was quite good enough. So obsessed was he that he suffered a heart attack when Jim broke his leg before spring training. Jim began to suffer frequent headaches as the pressures of getting ahead grew and grew. The big day of pro-

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What in the world

by Alice Dammarell '58

There are three spheres of influence in our modern political world. The first group to steal the limelight is the Russian region; the second is the western world; and the third group we call our neutral nations. This month's column will discuss the position of the neutral country in today's Cold War.

A Definition

By definition, a neutral country is one which does not adhere to either the western nor the eastern bloc but borrows freely from both. The neutralist claims that the world is going through a transition period of experiment in living. In one corner of the globe, colonialism is being replaced by independent states, while in other sections capitalism, communism, socialism, and fascism are battling it out for supremacy. He will refute all these contemporary "isms" per se and incorporate only their finer points into his policies.

Because of the large numbers of systems existing at once, sociological, political and economic conflicts are natural outgrowths of the quantity he will maintain. Wishing to remain a neutral country, he will refuse a sign pact, proclaiming as he does that it is reducing tension in our time and acting as a bridge between the East and the West. Without the neutralist's aid the world would commit suicide—he says.

Let us now examine the position plus the "why's and where-for's of neutrality.

Alignment of Nations

Our present Cold War is an alignment of nations into two groups—those who are for Russia and those who are against. Many have compared it to the all too toppling "Balance of Power" theory. In the process of aligning countries three methods are used: (1) aggression, (2) suppression, and (3) mutual defense agreements.

The United Nations has condemned aggression. The free world has condemned suppression, and the neutral nations have condemned defense agreements. So all procedures meet with constant debate. The arguments for the first issue can easily be seen by a quick glance at Red China. The second method is the story of Hungary. The last point is our topic. Why do neutrals oppose pacts and alignments.

The answer lies in the fact that they don't want political ties which will bind them to military expenditures. Thus they cut down on defense spending and increase their standards of living through development of national resources and agriculture for export profit. Independent, often arrogant, the neutralist adapts his platform to be agreeable but somehow is just called greedy.

Some Coaxing

He is wooed by cosmopolitan diplomats, fed on international intrigue and encouraged to express his views on global issues at the General Assembly. Yet, he stands alone alert and waiting for an even higher bid to lure him into compliance. Sometimes shy, often consistent, our neutral nations present a challenge to each new united campaign. Although they are not the first to be included in international planning they often play the supporting role.

Resurrexit, Alleluja!



A Priceless Gift Radiates Joy

Another Lenten season is drawing to a close. The last three days of Holy Week highlight the penitential season and are climaxed on Easter Sunday with the celebration of Our Lord's Resurrection. Beginning tomorrow, Maundy Thursday, the Church, through her ceremonies, relives again this final and most important episode in the life of Jesus Christ. The Last Supper, Christ's agony in the garden, His sufferings during the night before His death, the Crucifixion, and then His triumphant Resurrection are unfolded for us again through the prayers, meditations and rituals of this Holy Week. This beautiful story of the Redemption is the core of our faith, and in reliving it that faith is strengthened. For it is through repetition that the story becomes more meaningful and more deeply appreciated. Each year, as we grow a little more in wisdom, we are able to comprehend a little better not only the depth and significance of the Redemption, but also the importance and the priceless value of our gift of faith. It is because the Church makes us so aware of the sufferings and sorrows of Christ that we realize the true triumph of His Resurrection. Easter should be, therefore, a time of great joy along with sincere gratitude for the wonderful gift of faith.

Where Do You Park?

Medical men have been profoundly perplexed by many puzzling situations. One problem, however, that is distinctly unrelated to the medical field is parkingitis, but it nevertheless needs the study and thorough examination that any ill person might require.

The one obvious factor about parkingitis is that it is a common critical condition. It develops only in those crowded areas where large public masses gather. This last statement can be locally exemplified in the sense that Cincinnati citizens and campus collegiates are more than well aware of its nature—that problematical nature being expressly the fact that adequate parking facilities are non-available. To alleviate the uncomfortable circumstance there are solutions—but requiring much costly treatment in time and money. Normally when such treatment is undertaken, the condition gradually disappears. Campus evidence shows that such remedies have proved ineffective.

The building of a large parking lot as a counter-balance to the over-crowded condition of the old one has not eliminated parkingitis. Students still persist in crowding the old lot and other "nearby" areas. It is admitted that the new parking area is somewhat farther from several of the campus buildings but in the same light, all medicine doesn't taste good.

In order that the student and administrative atmosphere be more conducive to good health, why not use the new lot and drive out pestilent parkingitis?

The Edgecliff staff was saddened on hearing of the death of their friend "Pete" from the printer's office who has helped so many of this paper's editors in getting the news out.

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Panelist Approves Shoe Selections



Potter panelist, Judy Stubenrauch, left, voiced the choice of campus coeds when she welcomed new low flats with an air of elegance designed for the Potter Shoe Company by Miss Edith Henry, right.

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McAuley Is Scene Of Spring Recital

Students in the Edgecliff music department will give their spring recital in McAuley Hall, May 7. Carolyn Heeger, Mary Long Burke, Suzanne Schuler and Barbara Naish will play selections by Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin and some modern composers.

Carolyn Heeger and Mary Long Burke will also present vocal numbers.

The recital represents a summary of the work done by the girls throughout the year.

Latest Spring Styles Spark Fashion Show At Assembly May 14

Sheath dresses will be the favorite style featured at the annual Home Economics Fashion Show on Tuesday, May 14, in the college auditorium. Students will model their own creations, which they made in clothing construction under the instruction of Mrs. Bottomley.

Sheaths will be shown in a variety of styles and colors, including a white linen with black monogram and a navy silk shantung with its own jacket. Beige, as usual, is a favorite color with the girls.

A slim white coat, slit up the sides, will be shown to top off that "special" dress. The important suit for "all occasions" will also be modeled, with the girls choosing grey and pink for spring. One of the highlights of the program will be a pink taffeta and chiffon formal made by Helen Thorpe.

The models will be: Lauretta Benjamin, Jane Blank, Louise Brinker, Barbara Finn, Donna Flee, Mary Franke, Mary Jean Gormley, Rosalyn Huber, Elizabeth McMullen, Barbara Morrissey, Nancy Neubauer, Anita Schuetz, Peggy Rowe and Helen Thorpe.

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fessional baseball threw him into a panic and later he went berserk on the ball field. From then on the picture explains his illness, recovery and a few basic tenets to Jim's father.

The success of this picture is that it is a story of a human life which draws from its audience feeling, compassion and understanding. The tenseness of the scenes and its excellent building give credit to its writers. I wish I had the space to praise Karl Malden properly. He gives his role much depth and feeling. Anthony Perkins is the young Jim Piersall who manages to wrap charm, confusion, madness and light touches in one package.

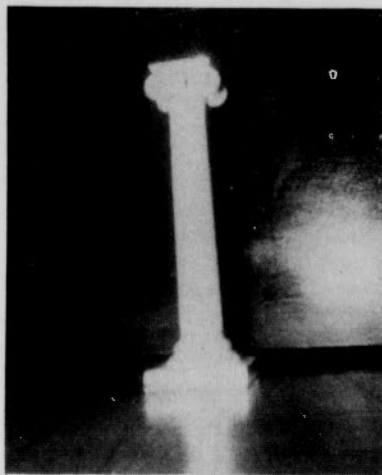
REMEMBER!
Sophomore Boat Ride—May 29
Johnson's Party Boat—
\$3.50 per couple

Picture Contest Puzzles College

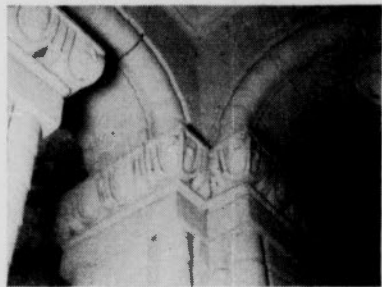
If you've been puzzled by the first series of pictures which appeared in the "Know Your Campus" contest, don't feel discouraged. You're not the only one. It seems there's been quite a bit of controversy over the identification of the photos which appeared in the March 15 edition of the *Edgecliff*. Students have been seen wandering about the campus peeking into every remote corner and niche in search of the "mystery" objects.

Here are three more little brain teasers for your enjoyment. They are really not difficult at all. Most of them are things that are seen on campus everyday, only here they may be seen at a different angle.

There are boxes in both student lounges where entries may be placed. There's still time to get into the competition and try for the grand prize. As you go about your daily routine, keep your eyes open and you'll be surprised how well you "Know Your Campus."



What Is It ———?
Where Is It ———?



What Is It ———?
Where Is It ———?



What Is It ———?
Where Is It ———?

Signature _____

Dr. Siegmund Betz Picks Astronomy For Science Talk

Astronomy was the subject of Dr. Betz's talk at the Apr. 10 meeting of the Science club. Although Dr. Betz is an English professor, he has been interested in astronomy as a hobby.

Dr. Matias G. Vega, professor of Spanish at Xavier university, will speak to members of the Tri-Lingual and IRC clubs at their joint meeting on Apr. 30. He is speaking on Cuban "Life and Government."

Vacations To Southland Attract College Coeds

by Janet Feiertag '59

When spring is in the air the most phenomenal changes occur. The trees break out in blossoms, the robin appears again on the lawn and Edgecliff migrates to Florida. While boys all dream of baseball and Dads talk of seeding the lawn, Edgecliffites are dreaming of sun tans and talking about sun-filled days in the Sunshine State.

Mary Gormley who is looking forward to her first plane ride describes them as "Ten Glorious Days," and Carolyn Laemmle, who is anticipating a "good tan for prom time," referred to "Ten Days of Freedom."

Carole Coletta is spending eleven days at Fort Lauderdale where she hopes to meet some of the 25,000 expected college students. Carole also is anxious to see a game of Jai Lai along with the horse races.

Lois Einhaus wants to "loaf" and enjoy the plane ride while Joan Bennett and Barbara Finn would like to "relax, take in as much sun as possible and water-ski."

Carole Connors revealed, "Because I can't swim, I'm not looking forward to swimming, however I am looking forward to wading in the Atlantic." Carol also remarked that of the ten girls in their group there won't be one cook. "That leads me to believe I'll be eating oranges twenty-five different ways," she concluded.

Other girls planning to move southward to join the "Suntan Rush of 1957," are: Mary Donovan, Mary Helen Huesman, Joan

DeFinney, Rosalyn Smith, Carol Meehan, Geraldine Whitcomb, Barbara and Rosane Konkler.

While their more fortunate contemporaries are enjoying a change of scenery those Edgecliff girls who will spend their Easter vacation close to home will find many things to occupy their days.

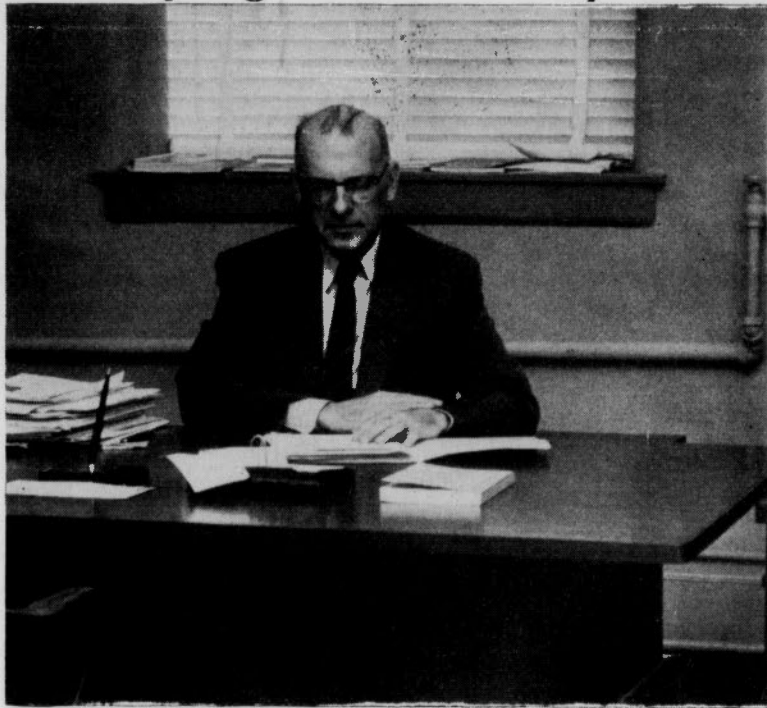
Elaine Besterman plans to help her mother with spring housecleaning, while Kay Ryan thinks she will redecorate her room.

Barbara Morrissey and Sue Rains are all set for a big wedding on Easter Monday. They will witness the marriage of Eileen McClorey, a 1956 Edgecliff graduate. Writing out invitations for her June wedding will keep Marian Schmidt busy.

Marilyn Bowling, Agnes Cloud, Mary Ann Curtin and Mary Jeanne Grunkemeyer hope to play a little tennis to get in condition for the day when comprehensive exams are over and they can spend their free moments on the campus courts.

Since comprehensive exams begin Apr. 30, seniors' activities during Easter vacation can be summed up in one word—STUDY!

Mr. Breyer Addresses Assembly In Keeping With Family Week



Mr. Breyer studies material at his desk for the celebration of National Family Week.

This year, National Family Week will be celebrated throughout the nation during the week of May 5. As part of its celebration at Edgecliff, Mr. Frederick A. Breyer, director of the Hamilton County Welfare department, will lecture on some of today's problems in the family at the regular assembly on May 8.

Mr. Breyer is not a complete stranger at Edgecliff. Some years ago he addressed the assembly on a similar occasion. Former students are or have been associated with him through their employment at the County Welfare department. Many know him through his book reviews in the Cincinnati *Enquirer*.

Mr. Breyer, a native Cincinnati and a convert to the Catholic faith, is an outstanding leader in political and social affairs in Ohio. Besides being director of the Hamilton County Welfare department, he is currently the secretary of the Ohio Welfare

Association, and a member of the executive committees of the Ohio Welfare and Relief Directors Association and of the Ohio Citizens' Council. In the past he has served as president of the Ohio Welfare Conference; of the Ohio Probation and Parole Association; and of the Cincinnati Social Workers' club.

Since its inception in 1943, as a united effort of Catholics, Protestants, and Jews to promote stability in the family, National Family Week has been observed annually at Edgecliff under the sponsorship of the Sociology club. This year, however, will mark its final celebration at this college. In keeping with the spirit of the liturgical movement, the Sociology club will shift the focus of attention to the sacredness of the family by changing its observance from National Family Week in May to the place where it belongs in the liturgical cycle—the feast of the Holy Family in January.

Sociology Club Members Tell Of Many Good Works Done

by Patricia Simon '57

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a member of the most active club on a college campus? Well, the members of the Sociology club will gladly tell anyone about their experiences in social service activities, which has been the main project of the club for this school year. Though this may seem to be bragging of sorts on their part, it seems that they have every right to do so. For instance, ever since the club decided to organize various social service projects this year, over half the members have been actively engaged in such work.

At present, the most popular project is that of tutoring and remedial teaching at the Catholic Charities Child Guidance Clinic. Every Saturday morning, Alice Cappel, Lynn Hotopp, Georgia Kunkemoeller, Dorothy Pittstick, Geraldine Whitcomb and Patricia Witham lay aside their familiar role of student and conscientiously assume the role of tutor and instructor. Usually the children at the Clinic need special help with their reading and arithmetic. "Quite frequently, however," says Lynn, "emotional difficulty accompanies failure in school, and then we have the added task of winning over the children—getting them to realize that someone likes them and cares about them." Though discouraging at times, "in all, the work is very satisfying," adds Lynn, "and especially beneficial if one is thinking of entering the teaching field." Patricia Witham and Alice Cappel also agree that the work's satisfying results well compensate for the discouraging moments.

Unusual, though certainly important, describes the project engaged in by Margaret Abrams, Dorothy Pittstick and Patricia

Witham. One Monday night a month, Margaret and Dorothy report to Norwood High School and help to conduct a gym class for the mentally retarded. One Friday night a month, Patricia accompanies Margaret and Dorothy when they go to Holy Angels school and together they teach ball-room dancing to a group, which ranges in age from 16 to 35 years. According to Margaret, "progress is slow in both of these activities, but when you do succeed in just getting co-operation, you really feel that you have accomplished a great deal. Likewise, a great deal of personal satisfaction is gained from helping those not so fortunate as oneself."

St. Joseph Infant Home is always a favorite spot on any activities' list and according to Ann Lutz, she really "loves" the place. Every Sunday, Ann visits the home and either plays with the children or helps to bathe and take care of them. Whether as a playmate or helpmate, the children of St. Joseph's always enjoy company. As part of their project for this year, Carol Dorn, Arlene Dulle and Patricia Simon also visited the children at the Home and tried to give them some of the attention and affection they would have had, had they been in their own homes.

Do you think the members are bragging, when they consider themselves the most active club on campus?

Dessert Bridge Set For May

On May 2 the Mothers' Club will hold its Spring Card Party. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Joseph Steltenpohl the dessert bridge will begin at 1:00 p.m. in Emery Ballroom. The committee members are: Mrs. Daniel Lobitz, co-chairman; Mrs. Alexander Nichols, combination raffle; Mrs. Edward Conners and Mrs. Raymond Konkler; refreshments; and Mrs. Richard Pflaum, ham tray. Invitations will be sent to all members.

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ticipate in the planning and evaluation of educational experiments conducted by other colleges and universities.

Student Council. The Student Council at Kent State university recently took its first action on a motion to eliminate discriminatory elements from the constitutions of all organizations.

The motion provides that no new organizations with clauses which discriminate against persons of any race, religion or color shall be recognized by Student Council. Present organizations would have until Jan. 1, 1962, to eliminate such clauses from their national and/or local constitutions, pledge instructions and rituals, or to show a proposed student-faculty committee for democratic practices that they had made a determined effort to do so. Purely religious organizations would be excused from these requirements, at the discretion of the committee.

Is it your opinion, learned reader, that our university activity is progressing in the virtue of variety?

Freshman Tells How To Spend Extra Hours; Suggests Library As The Ideal Study Spot

by Marilyn Carroll '60

Lost: An hour or two of pleasant leisure—sleeping, bridge, or friendly conversation.

Found: Needed information resulting in new fields of interest, additional fuel for present interests or subjects, or simply an enlarged view of life.

The library holds varied attractions and values for everyone at different times. It provides its usual functions, that of collecting and cataloging books, manuscripts, pamphlets, and periodicals for its users. It serves

as a place of seclusion, a haven for quiet, undisturbed study. Here a student can fulfill every teacher's dream by reading additional material related to a given course. He can carry on research on some assigned subject or voluntarily investigate a problem of singular interest to him.

The student who loves to read delights in the seemingly wasted time which he spends in uncharted browsing or reading. A current magazine, *The World*

Almanac or *Atlas*, a well chosen novel—all serve to expand the student's knowledge in many diverse channels. Knowledge gleaned from even disconnected reading adds to a student's total knowledge. It tends to complete and to cement together his knowledge in varied fields—theology, history, English, science—for to read is to learn.

A cultivated interest in reading of all kinds and in the coordinate library services is necessary for a complete college education.

Miss Katherine Koch, professor of foods and nutrition in the Edgecliff Home Economics department, and Nancy Muff, a home economics major, look over a display of books containing recipes from all parts of the world. What sort of interesting dish could they be cooking up now?



Edgeway Echoes

A group of Edgecliff juniors observed April Fool's Day a little early this year on March 29. The "victim" of their premeditated prank was Kay Ryan, who reached voting age on the first day of this month. The girls held a surprise party in celebration of the big event and Kay says she was so shocked she thinks she gained ten years instead of only one.

We hear by way of the "Leprechaun Press" that a certain friendly son of St. Pat was a bit disappointed because the grand old Irish name of Dillon was left out of the special Irish feature which appeared in the March 15 edition of the *Edgecliff*. Sure an' we're feelin' mighty bad that such a thing happened, but, begorrah, we're willin' to bet there isn't a lass on the campus who'd have to be told who's the most loyal son of Erin's Isle in this school. Sure an' just one look at those twinklin' eyes is enough to make you feel like you've just been greeted by the good Saint himself!

"Play Ball" is a familiar phrase that will be beckoning baseball fans all over the nation to get set to enjoy another season of their favorite pastime. But to a couple of Edgecliff sophomores it will

mean more than just "all play and no work." Getting an idea of what it feels like to be on the other side of the fence will be LaVerne Muldrow, who will be umpiring grade school girls softball games for the CYO this season. Umpiring isn't a new occupation for LaVerne, who has been connected with CYO for several years as a kickball and volleyball official. We also hear that she's quite at home on the basketball court, too. Another Edgecliff girl who will be associated with CYO this year is Marie Aguetant who hopes to coach the girls of St. Ann's school through a successful season.

A favorite pastime among the seniors lately is a game called "The Process of Elimination." Everytime one of the girls receives the proofs of her graduation pictures from the photographer, she spreads them out on the table in the senior lounge and her classmates proceed to select the best one in the group. It's quite interesting to see the results. Nine times out of ten all the girls participating in this little ritual, with no coaching from the audience, will unanimously decide on the same proof. (What's that saying about great minds running in the same channels?)

CONGRATULATIONS TO—

Recently elected NFCCS regional officers: Sue Schwartz, first vice-president; Barbara Lecture, second vice-president; Anne Dammarell, corresponding secretary; and Charlotte Kipp, recording secretary.

ALSO TO—

The Senior class on winning the one-act play trophy for their excellent presentation of "Moor Born."

AND TO—

The junior, sophomore and freshman classes for their fine performances which contributed to an evening of wonderful entertainment.

The Book Beat

by Alice Cappel '59

The Last Hurrah. By Edwin O'Connor.

A wise title, a wise story and therefore a wise author—**The Last Hurrah!** For this political narrative of Irish life in America, Edwin O'Connor has merited the Atlantic prize and deservedly so. It is neither sensational nor romantic. It is intensely real, satirical, and amusing. It is history without dates, places, or real persons named, a study and, consequently, a revelation in machine politics. Lastly, it is convincing.

A Long Climb

Mr. O'Connor is a long time in moving his hero Frank Skeffington to his final climax in life. The climb is long and tediously gradual. In fact, it takes over four hundred pages for the suspense to be finally relinquished for the denouement. This is the reality of **The Last Hurrah** for political mountain climbing itself is difficult and gradual as likewise is this narrative. The climax is then better appreciated. The climb is cold, steady, organized. It is not hindered by obstacles of sentimental display and emotional breakdowns. However, it moves swiftly with irony, satire, and amusing and clever dialogue. It reaches new heights of extensive characterization. We know the characters of more than protagonist and antagonist. We recognize the character of many of the leaders and followers in this machine of Irish politics; the opponent McCluskey with his propaganda devices, the name-caller, the loyal "old-timers," the newspaper editor and many others.

The most interesting and informative phase of the novel is the clever demonstration of the

Some Sentiment

Sentimentality is reserved for the end where it is most useful. The narrative is smooth and impersonal until the climax. It moves mechanically as the political machine, viewing many details. But the movement abruptly changes with the change effected in Frank Skeffington's life. Here the relationships of secondary characters and hero are pitifully personal. The admiration for the political king is mountainous and extensive. This sudden change from cold current to warm winds delights the reader and rewards him for his concentration in former slower currents of the narrative.

Will it be a classic? One drawback—Mr. O'Connor employs satire on a very contemporary singular phase of American folkways, that of slang and song. **The Last Hurrah** is informative and entertaining.